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Why run for the Board of Education?

With the federal No Child Left Behind law, all students must be proficient in math and reading by 2014. Our teachers must be highly qualified and highly effective as well. Standard-based education must not leave behind the arts, music or physical education. How do we find that delicate balance?

As teachers, we know that smaller class size counts in achieving student learning objectives. As teachers, we know that discipline in the classroom is imperative to learning. We understand how important it is to have our schools repaired and maintained, and qualified teachers who care about their students. We understand how parent involvement is crucial to student learning.

I have taught for many years in our public schools: Pearl City High School , the Community Colleges, and the University of Hawai'i as well as being a member of the House of Representatives. Currently, I am an Assistant Professor of Management at HPU. The other hats I wear are those of Principal Broker for Hilton Grand Vacations Club, and Vice Chairperson of the Board of Educations' Legislative and Community Council Committee.

Because of my experience as a teacher/professor and equipped with a doctorate degree, I feel it is my responsibility to help improve our public education system.